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REMARKS ----

Claims 1-51 are pending. Claims 1-51 stand rejected under the judicially created doctrine

of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-51 of U.S. Patent No.

6,486,431. The Office action indicates that the Terminal Disclaimer filed by Applicants on

February 18, 2004 is defective because of an incorrectly listed date. Applicants submit that this

rejection is overcome by the enclosed corrected Terminal Disclaimer. The requisite fee for the

Terminal Disclaimer was enclosed with the February 18, 2004 filing. Accordingly, Applicants

believe that no additional fee is due. In the event any fees are due, however, the Commissioner

is hereby authorized to charge any such fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-3081.

Further, Applicants have not yet received initialed copies of the PTO-1449 forms

submitted on January 9, 2004 and May 13, 2004. Applicants submit that the required documents

were timely and properly submitted to the PTO in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and

1.98. Applicant hereby requests an initialed copy of each of the PTO-1449 forms previously submitted

on January 9, 2004 and May 13, 2004 in connection with this application.

CONCLUSION

In view of all of the foregoing reasons, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration,

withdrawal of all grounds of rejection and objection, and allowance of claims 1-51.

Respectfully submitted,

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